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Division of Docket Management (HFA-305) Food and Drug Administration 5630 Fishers Lane, Room 1061 Rockville, MD 20852

Re: Docket No. 2006N-0067 - Index of Legally Marketed Unapproved New Animal Drugs for Minor Species

Dear Sir or Madam:

As a key stakeholder, the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) respectfully requests a 30 day extension of the comment period to continue developing comments to the proposed rule on indexing.

The AVMA is co-founder of the Minor Use and Minor Species (MUMS) Coalition which lobbied Congress to pass the Minor Use and Minor Species Animal Health Act of 2004. As such, we are deeply interested in coordinating with our coalition partners and offering constructive comments to FDA on the proposed rule on indexing.

We believe a little more time is required to ensure adequate discussion and analysis. Consequently, we request a 30 day extension of the comment period.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Cordially,

Bruce W. Little, DVM Executive Vice President

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The American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) was established in 1863 and is the largest veterinary medical association in the world. As a not-for-profit association established to advance the science and art of veterinary medicine, AVMA is the recognized national voice for the veterinary profession. The association's more than 74,000 members represent approximately 86% of U.S. veterinarians, all of whom are involved in myriad areas of veterinary medical practice including private, corporate, academic, industrial, governmental, military, and public health services.